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Steve,

Earlier this year, the California Plumbing Heating, Cooling Contractors (PHCC) representing over 400 contractors in California met with James Goldstine to describe our program to help bring plumbers up to speed with changes in technology that if implemented could have an effect on water usage and address issues involving climate change.

An agreement has now been concluded that has brought a successful program that was begun by plumbers in Australia to the U.S.. This program will retrain existing service plumbers who visit households each day in the new technology that is available to save water and conserve energy as well deal with greenhouse gas issues. PHCC has already begun to train contractors in partnership with water districts throughout the state. We were very interested to see in your report (p29) a reference to a training program for heating, cooling and ventilating since we have curriculum developed in Australia and already adapted for use in California that addresses this area. We would be more than happy to share this information with you. Unfortunately, we cannot attend your meeting in Merced this week due to other commitments. We understand that you might be scheduling another meeting in December and would ask that place us on your e-mail list so we will receive any notices of upcoming meetings.

Given the short turnaround time for comments, we have attached a recent article that gives an overview of the Green Plumbers program.

If it would be possible to meet with you before your next meeting, please let me know.

Yours

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